of the increase in the price of clothing we had to incur an expenditure of Rs. 30 for Cranganur and Rs. 1,500 for the whole State. I pray that these amounts may be sanctioned.

Demands put and carried

Rs. 5,131 under 11 Forest A-1-a-2—Timber, etc.

Mr. T. Narayana Menon *(Conservator of Forests):* I rise to move an additional allotment of Rs. 5,131 under "11 Forests—A-1—A-2—Timber, etc." I request that the House may be pleased to sanction the allotment.

Demand put and carried

Rs. 1,26,958, 12,800, 1,100, 7,518 under 11 Forests

Mr. T. Narayana Menon *(Conservator of Forests):* I may be permitted to move items 72 to 75 together. The items are.—

Rs. 1,26,958 under 11 Forests—A-B—by other means.
Rs. 12,800 under 11 Forests A7—Miscellaneous.
Rs. 1,100 under 11 Forests A8—Refunds.
Rs. 7,518 under 11 Forests B8—Dearness allowance.

Demands put and carried

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്". പണിക്കർ: ഒരുലക്ഷത്തി ഇരുപത്താറായിരം ഉറപ്പിക്കയും മറും റപ"ളിമെൻറി ഗ്രാൻറായി കൊണ്ടുവന്നാൽ അതു പെട്ടെന്നു പാസ്സാക്കിത്തരുവാൻ ഞങ്ങൾ തയ്യാറില്ല. ഇതിൻെറ കാരണം, നല്ലവണ്ണം ഒന്നു എക്സ്"പ്ലെയിൻ ചെയ്യാഞ്ഞാൽ ഞങ്ങൾക്കു മനസ്സിലാകയില്ല.

Deputy President: The motion was already put and carried.

Rs. 8,891 under 11-2—Purchase of fuel—Tramway

Mr. T. Narayana Menon *(Conservator of Forests):* I request that the House may be pleased to grant Rs. 8,891 under "11-B-2-C—Purchase of Fuel—Tramway".

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്". പണിക്കർ: Purchase of fuel എന്നു പറഞ്ഞിട്ടുണ്ട്". ഹിൽപാഡി കൾടിവേഷനുവേണ്ടി ധാരാളം മരം വെട്ടിയിട്ടുണ്ട്". അതു" വിറകിനെടുത്താൽ പോരെ? നമ്മുടെ വിറകു" അവിടെ കിടക്കുമ്പോൾ അതിനു രണ്ടാമതും പണം അനുവദിക്കുന്നതു വളരെ കഷ്ടമാണു".

Mr. T. Narayana Menon *(Conservator of Forests):* I may just explain that amount asked for is not towards the cost of fuel, but it is for collection charges. We have to get the fuel cut and collected, transported to the Tram line. We have to pay increased rates as collecting charges. It is because of this that this allotment is asked for.

Mr. K. S. Panicker *(Ezhuvas-Mukundapuram):* We have already spent a considerable amount for collecting these things. What is the necessity of another amount being spent for collection.

Mr. T. Narayana Menon *(Conservator of Forests):* They have not been collected in the form of fuel. If you want it to be taken for Tramway purposes, the timber has to be cut in certain sizes and it has to be transported to the Tramway Workshop. All this requires extra labour and the cost of labour has gone up much more than what we had anticipated at the time of the preparation of the original budget.

Demand put and carried

Legislative Business

Government Bills

Amendment to Standing Orders

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* I beg to move for leave to introduce the following amendment.

For Standing Order No. 5 (1) of the Legislative Council Standing Orders substitute the following.—

"While in session a meeting of the Council shall subject to the direction of the Diwan ordinarily commence at 11-30 a.m. and conclude at 5 p.m." The Standing Orders as at present provides for the usual hours of work between 11 and 5. On account of the change in the clock system now, some of the Hon'ble Members have been feeling rather difficult to start the work of the Council at 11'o clock. Therefore for the general convenience of the members it is proposed that the Council may start hereafter at 11-30 and close at five. I request for leave to introduce this amendment.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്". പണിക്കർ: വക്കു ചെയ്യുന്ന സമയത്തിൽ അരമണിക്കൂർ കറക്കുകയാണു" ഇതുകൊണ്ടു ചെയ്തിരിക്കുന്നതു". അതുകൊണ്ടു" ഇതിൽ അതു" എന്നുള്ളതു അഞ്ചര എന്നാക്കിയാൽ വിരോധമില്ല.

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Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* Government have no objection or we can cut down the interval.

Mr. M. Krishna Menon *(Trichur-North):* I beg to move "Omit the words subject to the direction of the Diwan" in the amendment proposed by the Chief Secretary. My point is this. The insertion of the words "Subject to the direction of the Diwan" takes away the legislative liberty. So it is that I table this amendment.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General):* Why not make it "President" instead of the "Diwan".

Mr. M. Krishna Menon *(Trichur-North):* Oh Yes, I have no objection.

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* In the Assembly also it is subject to the direction of the President. Of course in the Council of State it is subject to the direction of the Governor-General.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi)* My suggestion is many of the Hon'ble Members have their own vocations in life and we find it very difficult to attend between 11 to 5. So it may be changed to 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. In that case Government Officers can do their work and in the evening they can come here and attend. As far as non-officials are concerned, they can attend to their business and afterwards they can attend the Council. If a change is introduced why not accept this change?

Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Mulakunnathukavu):* Since this amendment is accepted, I would respectfully submit, Sir that we will be losing about half an hour by the proposed amendment which is to come into force at once. For 11 days we will be losing 5½ hours. I would submit to the House that the interval may be cut short by half an hour without disturbing our work.

Deputy President: That can be done by the President. No amendment is necessary.

Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Mulakannathukavu):* It may be so in the rules and we have understood it like that also.

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* If the Hon'ble Members want only one hour's interval, we have no objection.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* I do not think there is any virtue in a Diwan presiding over the House. After question time, the Diwan sits for an hour. That is actually the case under the existing state of affairs. There are very many occasions when the non-official members wish the Diwan to hear many questions. The implication is clear and therefore I would say that the time during which the Diwan presides need not be cut down. He may preside for the same 2 hours during which he used to preside. The House may disperse at 1-30 and reassemble at 2-30.

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* It can be 1-30. There can be no objection.

Motion put and carried

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* I request that the Prssident may be pleased to suspend Standing Order No. 32 and I may be allowed to move that the amendment may be taken into consideration.

Deputy President: Suspended.

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* I request that the amendment may be taken into consideration.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* May I know exactly when this will be introduced. The Hon'ble President will put the time as 1-30. Is that the understanding?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* Government had absolutely no particular intentions. As the House wishes, the business can be conducted.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* Will the Government take it that the House wishes it like that?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* Yes.

Motion put and carried

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* I request that the amendment may be taken and finally passed to-morrow.

Motion put and carried

*The Cochin Code of Civil Procedure (Amendment) Bill

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General):* Sir, I beg to move that the Cochin Code of Civil Procedure (Amendment) Bill be read in Council. The purpose of this amendment is very simple. One is to exempt from attachment allowances forming part of the emolu-

*Vide Appendix III.

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